Cipla, Mumbai, M/s. Sun Pharmaceuticals, Mumbai, M/s. Unichem, Mumbai, and M/s. Ranbaxy Labs, New Delhi have so far applied for registration and manufacture of the drug Sildenafil Citrate (Viagra, a brand of M/s. Pfizer USA) for domestic marketing.

The Drug is claimed to be a powerful medicine for treatment of impotency and is administered orally in the form of a tablet.

However, the drug is contraindicated in coronary artery disease patients, particularly, if they are taking drugs like nitrates.

(c) and (d) Before registration is permitted under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act & Rules thereunder, Pre-clinical toxicity and efficacy studies are required to be conducted by applicants first on animals and then on humans. In adddition, before registration is permitted, economic and social considerations with regard to monitoring is also ensured.

This drug, has however, been allowed for export against valid export orders.

Approval for Medical and Dental Colleges

4201. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the medical and dental colleges and the places at which they have been approved very recently;

(b) the names of the dental colleges whose in-take capacity has been increased; and

(c) the names of those dental colleges of Karnataka whose applications for enhancement of seats are still pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) After amendments to IMC Act, 1956 and the Dentists Act 1948 in 1993 permission of the Central Govt. has been accorded for the establishments of 12 new medical colleges and 24 new dental colleges in the country. The details of these colleges is given in Statement-I & II.

(b) The intake of following dental colleges has been increased after amendment to the Dentists Act in 1993;

1. DVG Dental College, Sullia.
2. Saveetha Dental College, Madras.
3. Oxford Dental College, Bangalore.
4. Balaji Dental College, Bangalore.
5. Yenepoya Dental College, Mysore.
6. Ramachandra Dental College, Chennai.
7. Meenakshi Dental College, Chennai.

(c) The case of PMNM Dental College. Bangalore for enchancement of seats is pending with the Govt.

Statement-I

S.No. Name of medical college

PRIVATE COLLEGES

1. Maharashtra Academy of Medical Education and Research, Pune. Dhabade, Pune.
2. Acharya Shri Chander College of Medical Sciences and Hospital, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu Tawi, Jammu and Kashmir.
3. PV Naramisha Rao Medical College, Jollygrant, Dehradun.
4. Dr. D.Y. Patil Medical College for Women, Pimpri, Pune.
5. Santosh Medical College, Ghaziabad.
6. Vinayaka Mission Medical College, Salem.
7. Vinayaka Mission Medical College, Kariakal, Pondicherry.
8. Guru Ram Das Medical College and Research Institute, Amritsar.
9. Mamtha Medical College, Khammam.

GOVT. COLLEGES:

10. Medical College, Bhavanagar.
11. Medical College, Rajkot.
12. Academy of Medical Sciences, Sciences, Pariayaram, Kannur, Kerala.

Statement-II

1. Himachal Dental College, Sunder Nagar, Himachal Pradesh.
2. B.R.S. Institute of Dental Sciences Panchkula, Haryana.
3. Guru Ramdas Dental College, Amritsar, Punjab.
4. Dashmesh Institute of Research and Dental Sciences, Faridkot, Punjab.
5. Santosh Dental College, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.
6. Rama Dental College, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh.
7. Subharati Dental College, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh.
8. Sardar Patel Dental College, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
9. Ramchandra Institute of Dental Sciences, Madras, Tamilnadu.
10. Oxford Dental College, Bangalore.
11. Sri Krishnadevrai Dental College, Bangalore.
12. R.V. Dental College, Bangalore.
13. Siddhartha Dental College, Tumkur, Karnataka.
14. Farooquia Dental College, Mysore, Karnataka.
15. Vidhya Shikshan Prasarak Dental College, Nagpur, Maharashtra.
16. Guru Nanak Dev Dental College Sunam, Punjab.
17. Baba Mastanath Dental College, Rohtak.
18. Vinakaya Mission Lord Jagnnath Dental College, Bhubneshwar, Orissa.
19. K.L.E. Society's Dental College, Bangalore.
20. Raj Rajeshwar Dental College, Bangalore.
21. Sarashwati Dental College, Shimoga, Karnataka.
22. Vinakaya Mission Dental College, Sitapur.
23. Maratha Mandal's Dental College, Belgaum.
24. SRM Dental College, Chennai.

T.B Associated Aids Cases

4202. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether TB associated AIDS cases have been on the rise alarmingly in many areas in the country in recent years;

(b) if so, what is the annual percentage of rise in TB associated AIDS cases in the country stating the States where such cases have shown a rise according to the study, if any, conducted by Government; and

(c) what strategy is contemplated by Government to control the rising trend of TB associated AIDS cases in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) The total number of full-blown AIDS cases upto 30th June 1998 is 6059. Out of these, 3757 (62.3) cases are associated with Tuberculosis. The percentage of TB associated AIDS cases in previous years are given below:

1993	:	61.5%
1994	:	63.2%
1995	:	68.5%
1996	:	57%
1997	:	63%

(b) No study has been conducted to assess the percentage rise in TB associated AIDS cases in the country. However, 62.3% of AIDS cases are associated with TB as per reports received from the State Governments. The annual percentage of such cases is given in the reply at (a) above.

(c) As part of the National AIDS Control Programme strategy, drugs are being provided for treatment of associated opportunistic infections in AIDS cases including Tuberculosis. Treatment guidelines have been circulated to all hospitals and TB Clinics for effective management of these cases.